Cannabis Control Board Meeting Minutes - July 13, 2022

Chair calls the meeting to order at 1:01pm. Board members in attendance:

- James Pepper, Chair
- Julie Hulburd
- Kyle Harris

Minutes recorded by Nellie Marvel.

Administrative Notes: Over 20 applications will be approved at this meeting. At this time, the Board has finished its preliminary review of all outdoor cultivation applications, and is moving on to reviewing mixed tier applications as well. The Board's consultant, VS Strategies, is in the process of updating Vermont's cannabis market projection spreadsheet.

The Chair spends some time discussing some of the legislative priorities for the next session, including the medical program, concentrates (he notes that the Board has a report due on the subject over the winter), as well as the vape tax. A brief discussion of fire safety provisions, as they relate to the application process, follows. Commissioner Harris then gives a packaging waiver update, followed by a point-of-sale flyer update from Commissioner Hulburd.

Chair Pepper entertains a motion to adopt the minutes from July 6th. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to adopt the minutes.

Brynn Hare reviews 29 recommendations for full licensure approval, 2 social equity status approval recommendations, and 2 social equity status denials. At 1:36pm, the Chair entertains a motion to move into executive session to discuss a denial of social equity status. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to move into executive session.

The Board returns at 2:04pm. Hulburd moves to accept all of the staff recommendations for full application approval. Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to accept the staff recommendations for licensure. Hulburd then moves to accept the staff recommendations for social equity status approval and denial. Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to accept staff recommendations.

At 2:05pm, the Board moves into public comment. Members of the public comment via Microsoft Teams. The Chair closes the public comment window at 2:14pm.

Following public comment, the Chair announces that it was brought to the Board's attention that a license approval had been left off the original list. The Board reviews the final cultivation license recommendation, and votes 3-0-0 to approve it for licensure.

The meeting adjourns at 2:17pm

Video recording of July 13 Meeting:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=atYz1hZoz1U

## **Adult-Use and Medical Register**

Date: 7-13-22

# Medical Cannabis Program 7/6/22 – 7/11/22

| New Patient<br>Applications<br>Received | Patient<br>Renewal<br>Applications<br>Received | Patient<br>Cards<br>Issued | New<br>Caregiver<br>Applications<br>Received | Caregiver<br>Renewal<br>Applications<br>Received | Caregiver<br>Applications<br>Approved | Dispensary<br>Employee<br>Cards Issued |
|---|--|----------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| 26                                      | 49   | 70                         | 4  | 5  | 5                                     | 2                                      |

- Medical staff currently processing applications received 6/21/2022 and later
- Total number of registered patients this calendar year compared with last year:
  - o 7/11/22 → 4,321
  - o 7/11/21 → 4,556
- Total number of registered caregivers this calendar year compared with last year:
  - o 7/11/22 → 376
  - o 7/11/21 → 504

# Prequalification Applications (as of 7-11-22)

| Application<br>Status: | Submitted but<br>Incomplete | Complete<br>and Under<br>Review | Recommended for<br>Board Review | Approved for Prequalification | Total |  |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------|--|
| Cultivators            | 199                         | 0                               | 0                               | 129                           | 328   |  |
| Testing labs           | 4                           | 0                               | 0                               | 2                             | 6     |  |
| Manufacturers          | 49                          | 0                               | 0                               | 32                            | 81    |  |
| Wholesale              | 12                          | 0                               | 0                               | 8                             | 20    |  |
| Retail                 | 66                          | 0                               | 0                               | 45                            | 111   |  |
| TOTAL                  | 330                         | 0                               | 0                               | 216                           | 546   |  |

# License Applications (as of 7-12-22)

| Application<br>Status:              | Submitted | Received | Under<br>Review | Incomplete | Resubmitted | Withdrawn | Pending<br>Board<br>Review | Approved | Issued | Total |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------------|------------|-------------|-----------|----------------------------|----------|--------|-------|
| Employee<br>Identification<br>Cards | 20        | 0        | 0               | 0          | 0           | 7         | 0                          | 0        | 0      | 27    |
| Outdoor<br>Cultivator Tier<br>1     | 0         | 0        | 2               | 20         | 15          | 4         | 21                         | 19       | 10     | 91    |
| Mixed<br>Cultivator Tier<br>1       | 1         | 33       | 0               | 15         | 10          | 3         | 3                          | 3        | 4      | 72    |
| Indoor<br>Cultivator Tier<br>1      | 0         | 34       | 0               | 5          | 2           | 2         | 3                          | 5        | 10     | 61    |
| Outdoor<br>Cultivator Tier<br>2     | 0         | 0        | 0               | 6          | 12          | 2         | 1                          | 0        | 0      | 20    |
| Mixed<br>Cultivator Tier<br>2       | 0         | 5        | 1               | 0          | 0           | 1         | 0                          | 0        | 0      | 7     |
| Indoor<br>Cultivator Tier<br>2      | 0         | 6        | 0               | 2          | 0           | 1         | 1                          | 1        | 0      | 11    |
| Outdoor<br>Cultivator Tier<br>3     | 0         | 0        | 0               | 0          | 4           | 1         | 0                          | 0        | 0      | 5     |
| Mixed<br>Cultivator Tier<br>3       | 0         | 1        | 0               | 0          | 1           | 1         | 0                          | 0        | 1      | 4     |
| Indoor<br>Cultivator Tier<br>3      | 0         | 3        | 0               | 3          | 0           | 0         | 0                          | 0        | 1      | 7     |
| Outdoor<br>Cultivator Tier<br>4     | 0         | 0        | 0               | 0          | 5           | 0         | 0                          | 0        | 0      | 5     |
| Mixed<br>Cultivator Tier<br>4       | 0         | 0        | 0               | 1          | 0           | 0         | 0                          | 0        | 0      | 1     |
| Indoor<br>Cultivator Tier<br>4      | 0         | 1        | 0               | 0          | 0           | 0         | 0                          | 0        | 0      | 1     |
| Outdoor<br>Cultivator Tier<br>5     | 0         | 0        | 0               | 1          | 2           | 0         | 0                          | 0        | 1      | 4     |
| Mixed<br>Cultivator Tier<br>5       | 0         | 0        | 0               | 0          | 0           | 0         | 0                          | 1        | 0      | 1     |

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| Indoor<br>Cultivator Tier<br>5 | 0         | 1        | 0               | 0          | 0           | 0         | 0                          | 0        | 0      | 1     |
| Testing<br>Laboratories        | 0         | 0        | 0               | 1          | 0           | 0         | 0                          | 0        | 2      | 3     |
| Manufacturer<br>Tier 1         | 0         | 8        | 0               | 0          | 0           | 0         | 0                          | 0        | 0      | 8     |
| Manufacturer<br>Tier 2         | 0         | 2        | 0               | 0          | 0           | 0         | 0                          | 0        | 0      | 2     |
| Manufacturer<br>Tier 3         | 0         | 2        | 0               | 0          | 0           | 0         | 0                          | 0        | 0      | 2     |
| Wholesale                      | 0         | 6        | 0               | 0          | 0           | 0         | 0                          | 0        | 0      | 6     |
| Retail                         | 0         | 0        | 0               | 0          | 0           | 0         | 0                          | 0        | 0      | 0     |
| Integrated                     | 0         | 2        | 0               | 0          | 0           | 0         | 0                          | 0        | 0      | 2     |
| TOTAL                          | 21        | 104      | 3               | 53         | 51          | 22        | 30                         | 29       | 29     | 341   |

#### Staff Recommendations for a Cannabis Establishment License

The following applicants have demonstrated compliance with all requirements for their license contained in CCB Rules 1.4 and 1.5 and 7 V.S.A. chapter 33.

1. Business Name: Birdman Inc., Birdman Vermont

License Type, Tier: Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Braintree Priority status: Standard

2. Business Name: Cleary Farm Cannabis LLC

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Plainfield Priority status: Standard

3. Business Name: Life Arises Farm LLC

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Wolcott

Priority status: Standard

4. Business Name: Bud Bird Farm

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Sutton

Priority status: Economic Empowerment

5. Business Name: Dirt Rich Farms, LLC

License Type, Tier: Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Manchester

Priority status: Economic Empowerment

6. Business Name: 1958, LLC

License Type, Tier: Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Windsor

Priority status: Standard

7. Business Name: Highly Rooted

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: West Glover

Priority status: Economic Empowerment

8. Business Name: Brookfield Buds LLC

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Brookfield Priority status: Standard

9. Business Name: TrichomeVT

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Essex Junction Priority status: Standard

10. Business Name: Grass Queen, Inc.

License Type, Tier: Indoor Cultivator Tier 2

Location: Plainfield

Priority status: Economic Empowerment

11. Business Name: Vermont LTC Grow

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Brownington Priority status: Standard

12. Business Name: Peanut's Garden LLC

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Essex

Priority status: Economic Empowerment

13. Business Name: Encore Herbals LLC

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Guilford

Priority status: Standard

14. Business Name: El Pasic Farm

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Westford Priority status: Standard

15. Business Name: Backwoods Cultivation, Backwoods Farm

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Bridgewater Corners

Priority status: Standard

16. Business Name: Sun Road Farms LLC; Sun Road Farms

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Barnard

Priority status: Standard

17. Business Name: High Noon Cultivators LLC

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Marshfield

Priority status: Social Equity

18. Business Name: Montwood Hollow LLC

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: East Brookfield Priority status: Standard

19. Business Name: Last Minute Farm LLC

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Weybridge Priority status: Standard

20. Business Name: Midnight Farm

License Type, Tier: Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: St. Johnsbury Priority status: Social Equity 21. Business Name: Big Budz LLC

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Bradford Priority status: Standard

22. Business Name: Phyto Physic, LLC

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Underhill

Priority status: Economic Empowerment

23. Business Name: Cannamentals

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Brownington Priority status: Standard

24. Business Name: Teatime Herbal Company, LLC

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Bakersfield Priority status: Standard

25. Business Name: Green of Green Farms, LLC

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Whiting

Priority status: Standard

26. Business Name: 45 North Nurseries

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Stowe

Priority status: Standard

27. Business Name: Serene Products

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: Waitsfield

Priority status: Economic Empowerment

28. Business Name: Hidden Leaf Homestead

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 (Small Cultivator)

Location: South Londonderry

Priority status: Economic Empowerment

29. Business Name: Full Circle Farm, LLC

License Type, Tier: Mixed Cultivator Tier 4

Location: Richmond

Priority status: Economic Empowerment

30 Business Name: Vermontijuana Ventures, LLC

License Type, Tier: Outdoor Cultivator Tier 2

Location: Irasburg

Priority status: Standard

# Social Equity License Applications (as of 7-11-22)

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| Social | Equity          | 0         | 4        | 2               | 27         | 15          | 1                          | 11       | 13     | 75    |

## Staff Recommendations for Social Equity Status

1. Submission: S-000000462

License Type, Tier: Indoor Cultivation Tier 3

Staff recommend social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant meets the criteria for social equity business applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3(p).

2. Submission: S-000000536

License Type, Tier: Indoor Cultivator Tier 2

Staff recommend social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant meets the criteria for social equity individual applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3(o).

### Staff Recommendations for Denial of Social Equity Status

1. Submission: S-000000442

License Type, Tier: Mixed use Cultivator Tier 2

Staff recommend social equity status denial for this applicant, as the applicant does not meet the criteria for social equity individual applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3(o).

2. Submission: S-000000467

License Type, Tier: Mixed used Cultivator Tier 5

Staff recommend social equity status denial for this applicant, as the applicant does not meet the criteria for social equity individual applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3(o).